

TMDL Implementation Guidance for Local Governments: Land Use Planning

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Presentation Overview

- Maryland's Planning Tradition
- Road Map
- Future Steps





Land Use Planning in Maryland

A Tradition of Environmental Protection through Land Use Planning:

Maryland's Economic Growth, Resource Protection and Planning Act of 1992





8 Visions of Land Use Planning

- (1) Development is concentrated in suitable areas;
- (2) Sensitive areas are protected;
- (3) In rural areas, growth is directed to existing population centers, and resource areas are protected;
- (4) Stewardship of the Chesapeake Bay and the land is a universal ethic;
- (5) Conservation of resources, including a reduction in resource consumption, is practiced;

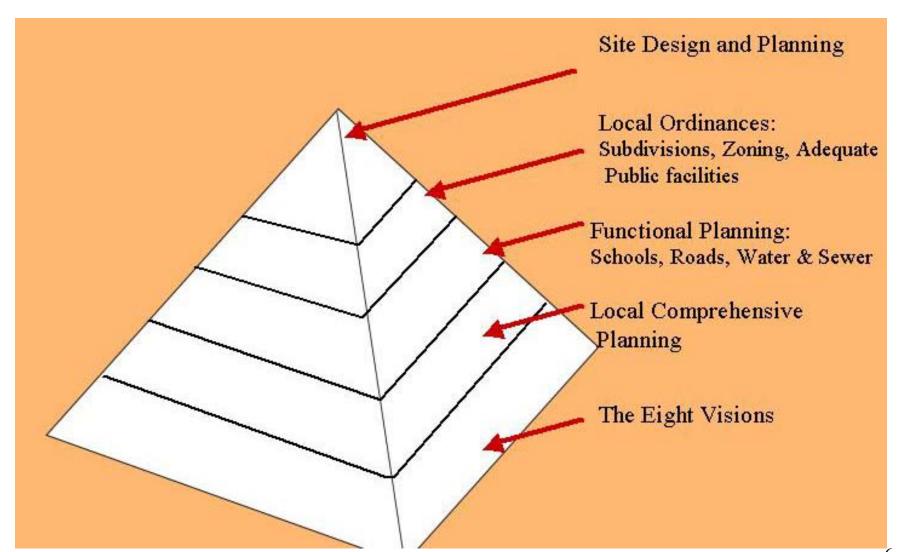


MDE 8 Visions of Land Use Planning (Con't)

- (6) Economic growth is encouraged and regulatory mechanisms are streamlined;
- (7) Adequate public facilities and infrastructure under the control of the county or municipal corporation are available or planned in areas where growth is to occur; and
- (8) Funding mechanisms are addressed to achieve these visions.



MDE A Range of Land Use Planning Stages





Land Use Planning: Road Map

Challenge: Balanced Integration of Land Use Planning and Watershed Planning

Issues to Consider:

- Watershed Perspective Everyone is Downstream
- Multi-jurisdictional Coordination
- Performance Standards
- Analyses Based on Standards
- Targeted Development and Redevelopment



Land Use Planning: Road Map (con't)

Issues to Consider:

- Avoiding Unintended Consequences
- Protect Forest Lands
- Density
- Rural Land Use Strategies





Land Use Planning: Future Steps

- Regional Forums this Fall
- Guidance Refinement in 2006





QUESTIONS?

COMMENTS?